Condition of Mandirs in Jaisinghpur of H.P.

1500. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the ancient Janakinath Mandir, Sitaram Mandir and other such Mandirs in Tehsil Jaisinghpur of Himachal Pradesh are in a very deplorable condition; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken/propose to take to save these very old Mandirs from further deterioration?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) and (b) Only the Ashapuri temple, Ashapuri in Tehsil Jaisinghpur, Distt. Kangra, Himachal Pradesh, is a centrally protected monument under the Archaeological Survey of India which has maintained it in a good condition. The Janakinath Mandir, Sitaram Mandir and other Mandirs in the said Tehsil are not under the central protection.

Development of tourism in Uttar Pradesh

†1501. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any action plan for promotion and development of tourism sector in various States of the country, particularly in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the targets fixed for development of tourism in the country?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) and (b) Action Plans for States are not formulated by the Department of Tourism. However, tourism projects are sanctioned based on field visits and by consultation with the State Governments/UT Administrations. During the current year the following projects have been sanctioned in Uttar Pradesh.

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